CITY OF MANISTEE PLANNING COMMISSION

70 Maple Street Manistee, MI 49660

MEETING MINUTES

August 3, 2017

A meeting of the Manistee City Planning Commission was held on Thursday, August 3, 2017 at 7pm in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 70 Maple Street, Manistee, Michigan.

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Chair Wittlieff

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Maureen Barry, Aaron Bennett, Marlene McBride, Bob Slawinski, Mark Wittlieff,

Roger Yoder

Members Absent: Ray Fortier

Others: Rob Carson (County Planner), Tamara Buswinka (AES), Tyler Leppanen (DDA),

Denise Blakeslee (Planning & Zoning Director) and others

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Maureen Barry, seconded by Bob Slawinski that the agenda be approved as prepared.

With a Roll Call vote this motion passed 5 to 0

Yes: Barry, Slawinski, Yoder McBride, Wittlieff

No: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Marlene McBride, seconded by Roger Yoder that the minutes of the July 6, 2017 Planning Commission Meeting be approved as prepared.

With a Roll Call vote this motion passed 5 to 0.

Yes: Yoder, Barry, Slawinski, McBride, Wittlieff

No: None

PUBLIC HEARING

None

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA RELATED ITEMS

None

NEW BUSINESS

US 31 Corridor Plan - Presentation

A Presentation will be given by the County Planning Department and the Alliance for Economic Success. They have been working to develop a unified plan for how to best guide development, redevelopment and rural scenic preservation along the US 31 Corridor in Manistee County. A Public Input and Design Studio (Charrette) was held on June 27, 2016 at the AES office for preparation of the US 31 Corridor Enhancement Plan.

Rob Carson and Tamera Buswinka presented the plan to the commissioners. After the meeting the plan will be posted on the City Web Page for public review and the plan will be presented to City Council.

DDA Presentation – North Corridor Concept plans

Tyler Leppanen, DDA Director gave a presentation on a concept for the North Corridor that the DDA had prepared.

OLD BUSINESS

None

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

None

CORRESPONDENCE

None

STAFF REPORTS

Denise Blakeslee, Planning & Zoning Director – Spoke to commissioners about Webinars and provided information so they can access them at home and offered to set up times for commissioners to come during office hours to watch them at City Hall if they want. Gave the Planning Commission annual report to City Council on Tuesday and provided copies of the presentation to the commissioners.

On October 5th members of City Council, DDA, and Planning Commission are invited to a program on the Historic District. Commissioners were asked to make a note on their calendars.

MEMBERS DISCUSSION

Commissioner McBride thanked the presenters for their presentations.

Chair Wittlief thanked the presenters and staff.

The next regular meeting of the Planning Commission will be held on Thursday, September 7, 2017

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Roger Yoder seconded by Marlene McBride that the meeting be adjourned.

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Meeting adjourned at 7:57 pm

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Denise J. Blakeslee, Recording Secretary